

World Coffee Events

Competitor Release

Read Before Signing

In consideration of being permitted to compete in the 2017 _____ Championship competition in _____, _____ (the "Event"), the undersigned competitor certifies to the World Coffee Events, a company incorporated and registered under the laws of Ireland ("WCE") and agrees as follows.

Age. I am at least 18 years of age.

Equipment and Danger. I understand that I may operate coffee accessories and/or related equipment at the Event and that such equipment may cause injury to myself or others if not operated properly. I certify that I am experienced in the operation of such equipment and will at all times operate it and conduct myself with due care and with consideration for the safety of others.

Release and Indemnity. By participating in the Event and executing this World Coffee Events Competitor Release ("Release"), I release WCE, its affiliate organizations (the Specialty Coffee Association of America and the Specialty Coffee Association of Europe) and their respective officers, directors, employees, members, agents and sponsors (the "Released Parties") from any and all liability for any injury, loss, or damage arising out of or in connection with my participation in the Event (other than the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Released Parties). I further agree to indemnify and hold the Released Parties harmless from and against any liability for any injury, loss, damage, cost or expense arising out of or in connection with my negligence or willful misconduct at or in connection with the Event.

Name, Image and Recipe. I grant permission to WCE and its current and future licensees to use my name, personal image (still and motion), and the name, image and any relevant recipes of my drinks (as defined in the WCE Official Rules) in any media (a) in connection with the Event and (b) for any other purpose reasonably related to the marketing and publicity of WCE and its services

Conduct of Competitor. I shall conduct myself during the Event according to the Competitor Code of Conduct, and, if I become the Champion of the Event, during the year I hold that title, according to the Champion Code of Conduct, as well as in a manner that represents the WCE and coffee professionals to the world in a respectable manner and which, in the sole determination of WCE, does not tend to bring the WCE, the specialty coffee industry and coffee professions into disrepute.

Governing Law; Arbitration. This Release will be governed by, and its provisions enforced in accordance with, the laws of the State of California, United States of America, without regard to its principles of conflicts of laws. In the event a material dispute arises under this Release, such dispute shall be submitted to arbitration and resolved by a single arbitrator (who is a lawyer) in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association. All such arbitration shall be confidential and shall take place at an office of the American Arbitration Association located in Los Angeles County, California. Each party is entitled to depose one fact witness and any expert witness retained by the other party and to conduct such other discovery as the arbitrator deems appropriate. The arbitrator has no authority to award attorneys' fees or punitive damages. The award or decision rendered by the arbitrator shall be final, binding and conclusive and judgment may be entered upon such award by any court.

By filling out this form, I confirm that I have read and consent to the World Coffee Events Competitor Release.

Date: _____

(Printed Name)

(Signature)

Address: _____

City: _____

State, Province, Etc.: _____

Country: _____

Postal Code: _____

E-mail: _____

Emergency Phone: (_ + _____) _____

Completed forms may be e-mailed to compinfo@worldcoffeevents.org or faxed to +1 919 794 7117.